

transporting a juvenile from a state with parental notification out of state to a state without a parental notification law is violating federal law. The law is being held in the Senate and can't get out of committee. This is in spite of the fact that polls show 73% of people think parents should be notified of a minor's abortion.

In California AB 849, the gay "marriage" bill just passed, and the sunset clause was removed from the Child Abandonment law, so it now becomes permanent. This allows for a mother to drop off her baby at designated places with no questions asked. All State bills have to be completed by Friday, and the governor has 30 days to sign them or veto. If he does neither they go into law.

WEB PAGE UPDATE:

The website is also updated. In August, we averaged 30 per day. The top hits are stem cell, discussion points, Natural Family Planning, Newsletters, Bishop Weigand's Homily, legislation, frozen embryos, the Sutter County Grand Jury report.

PROPOSITION 73:

Chuck did a workshop up in Chico for Knights of Columbus; only five people showed up. Chuck has copies of everything on the California Conference of Catholic Bishops website (sample bulletin inserts, What They Say, What We Say, speaking notes, tri-fold brochure, sample homilies). We also have everything in Spanish. The Knights of Columbus have asked every council to hold a parish-wide meeting, especially for ministry coordinators, so that ministries can educate their membership. Chuck will talk to Fr. Bong about what we can use. He has sent everything to Brad Bell, who has agreed to help in any way Fr. Bong allows. Carol Hogan will be talking about this Saturday at the Respect Life Coordinators workshop at the Diocese. Chuck noted that Planned Parenthood is stating that we already have a parental consent law in this state (this is a lie—a law was passed but they got it enjoined).

FAIR AND TRAINING:

The training session was held at the Parish Hall and went very well. Someone was here from all but one shift, and Maureen was able to meet with her separately.

Reports showing the numbers of visitors and summarizing comments by shift are attached to the original of these Minutes. We will go back to having a solid tablecloth. We will make the quiz bilingual somehow. Maureen noted she was especially grateful to Brad Bell and his family for breaking down the booth and delivering everything to the Pages.

We received an instruction sheet from the Fair Board that incorporates good suggestions and we will add these to our presentation and instructions to the fair workers next year.

LIFE CHAIN:

The Life Chain is October 2. We will meet at the same place, the parking lot by the Waffle House. Maureen will prepare the bulletin announcement and find people for pulpit announcements. She will contact the new CCD coordinator, Corina Mondragon, to see who is doing the Confirmation CCD classes. The Guths will be out of town but Maureen will find someone to distribute signs.

RELIGIOUS WALK FOR BISHOP GALLEGOS HOME:

This event, which involves priests and deacons walking at the Capitol, is October 1. We will get more information at the Diocese training this weekend. Last year Fr. Lee contacted all the priests in the diocese. Maureen and Miriam will meet with Fr. Bong to discuss this and other pro-life activities.

RACHEL'S REPORT:

Rachel was unable to attend the meeting but talked to Maureen, who outlined her activities. Rachel wants to concentrate on three areas: 1) holding signs at Highway 99 and Bridge Street, and at Stabler & Colusa; 2) picketing Planned Parenthood, although there is more visibility at the two above locations; and 3) taking pro-life chastity literature to middle and high schools here and in Chico. A copy of Maureen's notes is attached to the original of these Minutes.

Rachel's group has received her exempt status from the State and she is now working on getting her 501c3 from the Federal government.

NEWSLETTER:

The Newsletter: is ready to be printed. Miriam will try for a fall color, but noted there are fewer colors available in the legal size paper.

NEWS ITEMS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Maureen shared the newsletter from Caring for Women center in Oroville. They are doing very well, and raised \$65,901 from their walk for life. They are now affiliated with Focus on the Family.

CLOSING PRAYER:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned and closed with a prayer led by John.

Respectfully submitted,

Miriam Page
Recording Secretary

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 5, 7 p.m.
St. Isidore Parish Hall

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